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## HERE AND THERE

Mrs. Ted Krause and daughter returned last week to town from Keg River where they spent several weeks visiting Mr. Krause who is farming in that area.

There are now three gravel crushers hard at work crushing gravel at the gravel pit on the reserve south west of Gleichen. The crushed gravel will be used for hard surfacing the highway between the thirteen mile corner and Strathmore.

Mrs. Ted Jones and children of Stettler were visitors at the home of Mrs. Al Wilson for a few days last week. Mr. Jones was operator at the C.P.R. station here for sometime several years ago.

Mr. and Mrs. C. J. McKay of Lindsay, Ontario are visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Evans. Mrs. McKay and Mrs. Evans are sisters. There are some old timers here who will remember Mr. McKay as Miss Stabback when she taught at the Shamrock school some thirty years ago.

The old building known as the Jun Koe restaurant is again on the move. Some years ago G. Burne bought the building and moved it to a site near the water tower and turned it into a garage. Some time ago W. Sutermeister purchased the building and one day last week sent it on a journey westward to his farm. As it was trundled westward its weight proved too much for the bridge near George Hunter's residence to carry. So it sank through the bridge. Lifted out of the creek bottom the journey westward continued. The building had been a resident of the town for so long it seemed to object going to the country and as soon as it struck the road on the town's outskirts the bottom of the walls started to spread out. The building now sits firmly by the side of the road.

A minister, rather noted for his close calculations, also operates a small farm. One day he observed his hired man sitting idly by the plow, as

his horses took a needed rest. This rather shocked the good man's sense of economy. After all he was paying the man 75 cents an hour. So he said gently but reproachfully, "John, wouldn't it be a good plan for you to have a pair of shears and be trimming these bushes while the horses rest?" "That it would," replied John agreeably. "And might I suggest your reverence, that you take a peak of notes into the pulpit and peel 'em during the anthem?"

### BUSY BEES

How many bee-hours of labor go into the production of one pound of honey?

Bee experts have been trying to find the answer to this question for almost half a century and all of them come up with a different answer. On father and son team, after 20 years of observing bees under varying conditions, credit each working bee with an average day of eight to 20 flowers per minute and 20 minutes an average trip.

Another authority rates bee activity slightly lower. He states that a bee often visits to 20 flowers per minute and makes only 10 trips a day. If it were possible for a bee to gather all the nectar for one pound of honey at this rate, it would have to work 355 days a year for more than eight years.

Bees have been observed gathering honey all at hours. Some have been seen leaving fields at 9:20. Others worked from 3 to 4 a.m. From similar observations it was concluded that a bee's working hours were determined by the time of day flowers surrounding the hive yielded the most nectar. Some yield most of the day while others only part of the day. Some blossoms close early in the afternoon and do not open until late in the morning. Sugar content varies in different kinds of flowers or in flowers of the same species from season to season or even in the same flower from day to day.

The distance of the source of nectar from the hive is another important factor in honey production. Bees will go eight miles if they cannot find nectar nearer home. But because of lost time and reduced loads, this is not profitable and bees prefer to work a source of nectar with a low sugar content near the hive before they will fly to flowers with a sweeter nectar much farther away.

### STORE HOME GROWN TOMATOES

In isolated areas perishable vegetables are expensive during the winter because they are often brought in by air and the risk of spoilage by freezing is great.

It is possible for those who grow tomatoes to store them to ripen at some sacrifice of flavor and quality for Christmas. Strong plants with a good yield of well sized mature light green fruit should be left in the ground but protected from freezing each night by jute bags or canvas.

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For those who have limited storage space mature green tomatoes with their stem on may be stored and allowed to ripen indoors for a shorter period by staking in single layers in trays or shallow boxes in a cool place. The tray or boxes may be placed one on top of the other. As ripe fruit are required they may be brought up to a temperature of 70 degrees. Waxing a stem seal of the fruit increases the storage period considerably.

It is essential that frost damage be avoided prior to storage, and careful handling with frequent inspection for diseased specimens in storage is imperative. Immature green fruit held at low temperature too long become bitter and will not develop flavor and quality.

Mother: "I am going down the cellar. If the butcher comes let me know. I want to talk to him." The boy forgot who his mother wanted to see and when the minister called upon her she shouted to his mother "Ma, that man's here now." Mother: "I can't come yet. Give him a dollar out of my purse, and tell him we didn't like his tongue last week and we're going to change."

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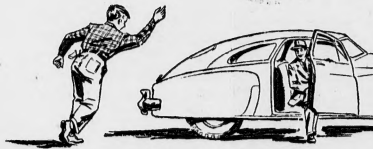
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